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Plague.

GERMAN EMPIRE.—The imperial chancellor has, by means of a circular letter of January 2, directed the governments of the maritime states to suspend sanitary police control of arrivals from Smyrna and Glasgow.

AUSTRIA.—By order of the minister of the interior and of commerce and finance, in conjunction with the Government of Hungary, of December 30, 1900, prohibition of importation and transportation against Glasgow, is suspended.

TURKEY.—By circular order of the international sanitary council at Constantinople, December 27, medical oversight of arrivals from Port Said, hitherto required, is suspended.

According to advices of January 4, quarantine of ten days is ordered for the Gulf of Smyrna, including to Neuphocœa.

GREECE.—According to advices of December 24, 1900, the ten days' quarantine against Egypt is suspended. Vessels which have left any Egyptian port after December 14 shall, until further notice, be subject to sanitary police inspection in Greek ports. Importation of merchandise from Egypt is again permitted, with the exception of rags, clothing, bagging, mattresses, blankets, used or unclean cushions, and old paper or newspapers in an unclean condition.

PORTUGAL.—By ministerial order of December 24, 1900, arrivals from the island of Réunion are subject to the measure against the introduction of plague ordered April 14, 1897.

CUBA.

*Reports from Cienfuegos, Casilda, and Santa Cruz del Sur.*CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *January 16, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended January 12, 1901, 22 deaths have occurred in this city, the following showing the causes of death: Nephritis, 3; wounds, 3; paludism, 2; enteritis, 1; tuberculosis, 2; yellow fever, 1; mitral insufficiency, 1; bronchitis, 1; myocarditis, 1; septicæmia, 1; congenital debility, 1; pernicious fever 1; old age, 1; rachitis, 1; pneumonia, 1.

Four of these deaths occurred in the civil hospital. Death rate, 28.68. The case of yellow fever reported by cable January 12, makes a total of 4 cases of yellow fever this month; 2 of the 4 cases ending fatally.

Fourteen vessels entered and were inspected at this port during week. Sixteen vessels were issued bills of health for other ports. No alien steerage passengers landed at this port; 56 health certificates were issued to passengers leaving Cienfuegos, 124 pieces baggage inspected and passed entering and leaving Cienfuegos; 17 pieces baggage were disinfected at this station, and 21 pieces baggage, destination Santiago, were labeled to be disinfected at that point.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reports 4 deaths in the city of Trinidad during the past week. No contagious diseases reported. Health of surrounding country continues excellent. Inspected 7 vessels at that port during the week.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reports no deaths in that port during the past week. No contagious diseases reported. Inspected 9 vessels at that port during the week.

Respectfully,

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CIENFUEGOS, CUBA, *January 21, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to report that during the week ended January 19, 1901, 29 deaths have occurred in this city, the following showing causes of death:

Heart and circulatory affections.....	6	Rachitis.....	1
Enteritis	4	Congenital debility.....	1
Paludic fever.....	2	Broncho-pneumonia.....	1
Tetanus, infantile.....	2	Cachexia, from cancer.....	1
Alcoholism.....	2	Tuberculosis.....	2
Pernicious fever.....	2	Septicæmia.....	2
Meningitis	2		
Wounds.....	1	Total	29

Of these deaths 12 occurred in the civil hospital. Death rate, 39.59. The case of yellow fever reported by cable on the 12th instant is now convalescent. Twenty-one vessels inspected on arrival at this port; 16 vessels issued bills of health previous to departure; 53 health certificates issued to passengers leaving Cienfuegos; 78 pieces baggage leaving Cienfuegos inspected and passed; 53 pieces baggage entering Cienfuegos inspected and passed; 21 pieces baggage, destination Santiago, labeled to be disinfected at that port; 7 pieces baggage, destination Manzanillo, disinfected at this station. No alien steerage passengers arrived at this port during the week.

Casilda.—Dr. Alejandro Cantero reports 7 deaths in the city of Trinidad during the week. No contagious diseases reported. Inspected 7 vessels at that port during the week.

Santa Cruz del Sur.—Dr. Juan R. Xiques reports 2 deaths at that port during the week. No contagious diseases reported. Inspected 5 vessels at that port during the week.

Respectfully,

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Report from Havana.

HAVANA, CUBA, *January 19, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report of the transactions of this station for the week ended January 19, 1901:

There have been several heavy rain storms and during the past three days a hard norther has been blowing, causing much damage along the coast a few miles from Havana. With this storm a cold wave has swept over this portion of the island, the temperature dropping to day to 55.8° F., causing a good deal of discomfort, as the houses are open and exposed.

Two deaths from yellow fever are reported for the week. One a Syrian, the other a Spaniard. There were 6 new cases reported. One an American, taken from the schooner *Wave*. This vessel left Fort Myers with an excursion party, visiting Key West, Fla., Matanzas, Cardenas, and Havana, Cuba. She arrived here Sunday the 13th from Cardenas, and the following day one of the passengers, feeling ill, sought medical advice. He presented symptoms suspicious of yellow fever and was sent to the hospital for observation and treatment, the diagnosis being confirmed to-day. The remaining passengers intended to go to Key West by one of the Plant boats, but were detained here for observation until to-day. The schooner had been ordered alongside the disinfecting barge *Sanator* for disinfection.